

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 3, line 23 to page 4, line 2, with the following paragraph:

The present invention overcomes the above-discussed and other problems in the art by providing methods for identifying diseased cells or tissues in which the disease is one that is associated with abnormal CAP43 expression. For example, the diseased cells or tissues may be cancer cells or tissue, including but not limited to cells and tissues of a lung cancer, a colon cancer, a kidney cancer, a breast cancer, a prostate cancer, a melanoma, a lymphoma, a malignant fibrous ~~histocytoma~~ histiocytoma or any other type of cancer described herein. In other embodiments, the cells or tissues may be cells or tissues involved in ~~inflammation~~ inflammation such as granuloma cells or tissue. In still other embodiments, the cells or tissue may be atherosclerotic cells or tissue.

Please replace the paragraph at page 80, lines 1-8, with the following paragraph:

CAP43 protein is generally found at only low levels in most healthy tissue, if at all. However, some higher expression of CAP43 is observed in the distal and proximal convoluted tubules of the kidney (FIG. 11I), and these tissues also express HIF-1 α (FIG. 13C). CAP43 protein expression is also detected in colon mucosa, colon smooth muscle and normal prostate, as well as some expression in normal breast cells (FIGS. 12A-C) and in normal lung tissue (FIGS. 12D and 12E). However, the expression of CAP43 in cancer cells of those tissues is considerably higher and/or very different from what is observed in normal tissue (see, FIGS. 11{??}).